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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL GEODUCK FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following area will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck for live sale with a 650-pound harvest limit from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 14, and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 15, 2022:

<u>Cat and Dog Islands (Subdistricts 101-23-005, 101-41-005)</u>: will open for a remaining harvest of 9,000 pounds of geoduck.

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<u>Saint Nicholas Channel, North Lulu Island (Subdistrict 103-70-007)</u>: will open for a remaining harvest of 80,000 pounds of geoduck;

Cone Island South and Paloma Pass (Subdistricts 103-50-006, 104-35-006): will open for a remaining harvest of 20,000 pounds of geoduck.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck fishery announcement dated September 15, 2022, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels.

The geoduck fishery will be closed from Friday, December 16, 2022, through Tuesday, January 3, 2023, for the Christmas holiday. State offices will be closed on Monday, December 26, 2022, in observance of Christmas Day and Monday, January 2, 2023, in observance of New Year's Day.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M3722.

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